

CASTLE COVE BOARD MEETING

January 7, 2013

Lawrence North High School, Room 102

ATTENDEES:

Board Members: Patti Davis, Scott Gallagher, Rich Havlin, Tom Johnson, Lana Jordan, Maury Lathrop, Ruth Ann Stephenson, Tom Stephenson, Marie Wright.

Non-Board Members: (Mr. Gray Mouse)!

MEETING NOTES: The meeting was called to order at 6:02 p.m.

Election of Officers:

President	Marie Wright
Vice President	Lana Jordan
Secretary	Ruth Ann Stephenson
Treasurer	Tom Stephenson

Review of Committees:

Each committee was reviewed as to members and chairperson. Several people were added to committees and others will be called to see if they want to remain on the committee. The committee list will then be revised and posted on the website.

Minutes: of the Oct. 23rd Board Meeting were unanimously approved.

Treasurer's Report: presented by Tom Stephenson

Bank Balances as of Dec. 31, 2012:

Checking:	\$5,344.02
Savings:	\$12,313.29
Reserve:	\$7,089.54
TOTAL:	\$24,746.85

2012 Dues: 97.7% were collected for a total of \$80,140.

2013 Dues: will remain at \$378 for the 5th year. Notices will be mailed out this week.

Home closings in 2012: 4, with an average value of \$181,000.

The 2012 year-to-date (end of year) report was briefly reviewed as well as the 2013 budget which was presented at the annual meeting.

An annual audit will be performed in the spring.

The Treasurer's report was unanimously approved as presented.

Committee Reports

Architectural (Rich Havlin for Sherry Havlin) – nothing new to report

Common Grounds (Marie Wright) –

- The neighborhood has been plowed 2 times so far this winter and appears to have been a good job – no complaints. It was suggested to get an estimate for salting streets and/or intersections when icy.
- This committee will have a meeting in the spring to discuss plans for the year.
- Greenscapes will again provide our seasonal flowers at the entrances which will include watering and fertilization. We will also be getting an estimate from them for mulching the currently mulched areas
- We would also like to get some estimates for landscaping the area between the gates to the parking lot to make it look more welcoming and also prevent vehicles from driving around the gates.
- The entrance lights need to be raised to better focus on our Castle Cove entrance letters. Maury Lathrop will call an electrician to get an estimate. At the same time it is suggested to have an outdoor electrical outlet installed at each entrance so holiday lights could be displayed.

Compliance (Rich Havlin)

- Recent infractions are minor which include non-working yard lights and a trailer in a driveway. Residents have been notified and it has improved.

- Dog issues were discussed. Barking dogs and dogs attacking people or other dogs are not a Castle Cove Board issue but should be addressed by Animal Control which can be reached through the Mayor's Action Center at **327- 4622** or if in immediate danger call 911.

Crime Watch (Lana Jordan)

- Our neighborhood had not experienced any major issues until today when a break-in occurred on Bayview Point about 11am. The intruders drove a black Dodge Ram truck; the passenger got out and looked in windows while on the phone then they kicked in the front door. A neighbor witnessed this and called police, but the intruders were gone with their stolen goods before police arrived. This same truck was recently observed in a robbery in The Villages off 86th Street. We have been told these robbers appear to be after jewelry, TV's, computers and guns. They seem to know when residents are gone and may knock or call the home first. Be on the look out for this truck!
- Signs of residents being away include trash cans out and newspaper(s) in the driveway. Storm doors and security systems are added deterrents.
- Feb 20th is a Crime Prevention presentation by the Prosecutor's Office that is worthy of attending. More information is in the newsletter.

Newsletter (Ruth Ann Stephenson) – currently working on an issue that should be out mid January.

Nominating (Rich Havlin) – recruiting another member or 2 and will become active closer to the annual meeting and elections. Meanwhile, though, the committee members will talk to residents about participating on the Board.

Pool (Tom Stephenson & Kyle Goodwin, Manager)

- Tom has received the new electronic lock for the new gate to the restroom area.
- New concrete sidewalk has been poured on the north side of the pool house/restroom building.
- The new fence with door/gate has not yet been installed in front of the restroom doors on the north side of the building nor has the baby pool fence been repaired. This should occur early this spring.
- Since school starts Aug 1, several options for keeping the pool open all day will be discussed: 1) use college age guards, and/or 2) have non-guarded pool hours.

Revitalization (Lana Jordan) - nothing to report at this time

Tennis (Maury Lathrop) - nothing to report at this time

Website (Ruth Ann Stephenson) – with Ron Sans no longer on the Board, we hope he will still manage our website server. Ruth Ann will update the information and send it to Ron to post.

Welcome (Marie Wright) – all new residents have been welcomed.

OLD BUSINESS:

- Master Repair list will be reviewed at the next meeting.
- The pool fence, gate lock and concrete were discussed under Pool.
- Status of lien foreclosure – have not heard any more at this time.

NEW BUSINESS

- Lana Jordan has been in contact with Ginny Cain about coordinating a multi-neighborhood meeting regarding the 82nd Street widening project. This would be held sometime this spring.
- **2013 Board Meeting Dates:** all are scheduled for the Library at 6 p.m.

March 5, May 7, July 2, September 3

- The Board made good use of email during 2012 and it was suggested to continue this practice being sure to “reply to all” with your comments. This can help avoid special meetings. Although there are times when a face-to-face meeting is the preference in order to better facilitate a discussion and vote.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Ruth Ann Stephenson
Secretary